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RECYCLING GRANTS

Another round of recycling grants is approaching. Applications will be available by January 2008, with a due date the first part of April. Again, the emphasis will be on regional recycling projects. Regional recycling projects must submit written inter-local cooperation agreements with the grant application to be considered regional. Call staff in the Recycling Assistance Section for examples of the agreements at 502-564-6716. Stay tuned for more information.

PET RECYCLING

Coca-Cola Enterprises Inc. announced the formation of Coca-Cola Recycling LLC and at the same time announced plans to build the world's largest plastic bottle recycling plant in Spartanburg, N.C. The company said its goal is to develop cost-effective methods to recycle and reuse 100 percent of the packaging materials it generates. The new company was formed to help increase recycling rates in North America to ensure enough quantity for bottle-to-bottle production.

John Burgess, president and CEO of the company, notes that recycling plastic and aluminum for reuse yields financial benefits, requires less energy than making bottles from new materials and reduces waste and greenhouse gases.

STEEL

Steel recycling rates slipped in 2006 to 68.7 percent from the previous year. In 2005, steel was recycled at a rate of 75.7 percent, while during 2002-2005 the recycling rate held steady at 70.7 percent. Global demand for steel to recycle is currently so high along with prices that supplies of scrap steel are at historic lows. The steel industry is actively working with recycling coordinators to increase the amount of steel being recycled. Steel cans, steel intensive appliances and automobiles continue to be recycled at high rates. Several other items are helping to meet the need for increased supply through curbside recycling efforts such as toaster ovens, clothes hangers and irons.

According to the Steel Recycling Institute, steel is recycled at a higher volume than all other recyclables combined, and the steel can holds the distinction of being the most recycled food and beverage container. Steel cans were recycled at the rate of 63.4 percent in 2006.

RECYCLED PAINT

MetroPaint in Portland, Ore., combines and resells paint collected through its hazardous waste program. Every can is inspected for quality and sorted by color. The paint is reblended, filtered and poured into 5-gallon pails and 1-gallon cans. The reblended paint has been tested for safety and performance at major paint manufacturers' laboratories. Since 1992, Metro has processed more than 1.3 million gallons of latex paint. Sixteen basic colors are available and customers can blend their own colors using an easy blending guide. Best of all, the paint costs only \$15-\$35 per 5-gallon pail or \$5-\$12 per gallon. For more information visit www.metro-region.org/paint.

GRANTS FOR BEVERAGE CONTAINER RECYCLING BINS

The Coca-Cola Company and the National Recycling Coalition are offering grants for beverage container recycling bins to government, civic, school, nonprofit groups and for-profit companies. To learn more, go to www.bingrant.org. The deadline to apply is Oct. 26, 2007.

Visit the Division of Waste Management Web Site at http://www.waste.ky.gov

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Prices are based on trailer load lots paid by end-users. This guide is for reference only and does not represent an obligation by any buyer to pay these amounts. Prices vary according to location, condition of product and other factors. Prices for handlers and processors will be different from these prices which are quoted for manufacturers. Prices fluctuate daily or weekly, and are based on the second week of the month, unless otherwise noted, and may change.

Paper	\$ per ton	Board and Mill purchase prices, baled, FOB seller's dock. From Oct. 6, Official Board Markets Yellow Sheet, Chicago market.	Previous month	Previous Year
Mixed Paper	80-85		80-85	50-55
Sorted Office	175-185		175-185	115-125
Newsprint #6	70-75		70-75	45-50
Newsprint #8	90-100		90-100	70-75
Sorted White Ledger	270-280		270-280	195-205
Corrugated Containers	105-115		105-115	60-65
Plastics	Cents per lb.	From market sources serving Kentucky, contacted Oct. 9-10. Baled, FOB seller's dock. Priced as loads available.		
Polyethylene Terephthalate (PET-soda bottles)	16	clear and green (mixed)	17	9
High Density Polyethylene (HDPE-milk jugs) #2	36	natural	34	30
Glass	\$ per ton	From Oct. 9, Waste News, average for truckload quantities, delivered to end-user, Chicago market.		
Clear	28		28	29
Amber	16		16	17
Green	8		8	8
Metals	Cents per lb.	Aluminum from market sources serving Kentucky, contacted Oct. 9).	
Aluminum Cans	77	densified, baled truckload, picked up	78	86
	\$ per gross			
	ton	Steel cans from market sources serving Kentucky, contacted Oct. 9-10, 2007. Baled, FOB seller's dock.		
Steel Cans	151	Clean, used densified cans	140	N/A